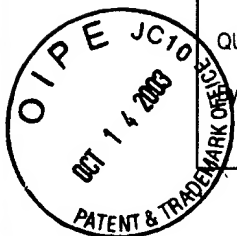


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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND REQUEST FOR  
RECONSIDERATION**

Sir:

In response to the Office Communication dated September 23, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-referenced application in view of the following changes and remarks.

**Listing of the Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.